

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re th	ne application of	
	Mark Hernandez et al.	) Examiner: not yet assigned )
Serial No: 10/627,947		) Art Unit: not yet assigned )
Filed:	July 25, 2003	) Attorney Docket: MJ-1
For:	REMOVING METALS FROM SOLUTION USING METAL BINDING COMPOUNDS AND SORBENTS THEREFOR	) ) ) Date: January 28, 2004 )
	ICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that this correspondence is being the addressed to: Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C.	

## PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.102(c) to make the above-captioned application special.

The basis of this petition resides in a relationship of the subject matter of the present application to material enhancement of the quality of the environment at least in providing for effective remediation of polluted acidic wastewaters and streams. For this reason, it is believed that a fee is not required in support of the petition.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this case, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mike Pritzkau at 303-410-9254.

Respectfully submitted

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